REMARKS

Examiner's ruling with respect to the restriction of claims has been duly noted. Claims 16-30 have, accordingly, been canceled. One or more divisional applications to cover these claims will be filed at the appropriate time.

Examiner's comments regarding the abstract have been understood and are appreciated. A new abstract has been provided for examiner's consideration.

The title has been amended in accordance with examiner's suggestion.

Wording has been added to the specification so as to provide antecedent basis for "opposing side shields" as well as for the limitations recited in claims 3 to 15.

We respectfully request that a Notice of Allowance now be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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